H. R. 3678

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 22, 1993

Mr. Ortiz (for himself, Mr. Weldon, Mr. Lehman, and Mr. Tauzin) introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and Merchant Marine and Fisheries

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS.**
- 4 Section 8(k) of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands
- 5 Act (43 U.S.C. 1337(k)) is amended—
- 6 (1) by inserting "(1)" after "(k)"; and
- 7 (2) by adding at the end the following new
- 8 paragraph:

1	"(2)(A) The Secretary may negotiate an agree-
2	ment for use of Outer Continental Shelf sand, grav-
3	el, and shell resources—
4	"(i) produced in association with a naviga-
5	tion project, or for a construction project, fund-
6	ed in part by or authorized by the Federal Gov-
7	ernment; or
8	"(ii) for use in a program of shore protec-
9	tion, beach restoration, or coastal wetlands res-
10	toration undertaken by a Federal, State, or
11	local government agency.
12	"(B) Outer Continental Shelf sand, gravel, and
13	shell resources shall be made available under this
14	paragraph for a fee determined by the Secretary, ex-
15	cept that no fee shall be assessed for such resources
16	used in connection with a project described in sub-
17	paragraph (A)(ii) which is 50 percent or more
18	funded by the Federal Government.".